

**REMARKS**

Claims 16-78 remain pending in this application in conjunction with newly-added claims 79-85. All of the original patent claims had been canceled. Thus, new claims 16-85 are now pending in this case.

Claim 42 has been amended to remove the double occurrence of the word "the".

Support for the limitations in amended claim 70 and added claims 79-85 may be found as follows:

<b>Claim</b>	<b>Limitation</b>	<b>Support</b>
70	being mounted to the valve seat and	Column 2, line 2 to column 3, lines 16-22
79	wherein the exhalation valve is positioned on the mask body and the flexible flap is positioned on the valve seat such that the free portion of the flap resides below the stationary portion when the mask is worn in its normal position over the nose and mouth of a wearer.	Figures 1 and 4 and column 3, lines 37-41
80	wherein the flap has no more than one free portion and no more than one stationary portion.	Column 3, lines 44-53 and Figures 2 and 4
81	wherein the flexible flap is mounted to the valve seat off-center relative to the flap.	Figures 2 and 4 and column 3 lines 16-20
82	wherein the flexible flap is mounted closer to a root end portion of the seal surface	Column 3, lines 16-21
83	wherein the flexible flap is mounted closer to a root end portion of the seal surface	Column 3, lines 20-34
84	wherein the flexible flap is mounted closer to a root end portion of the seal surface	Column 4, lines 5-6
85	wherein the flexible flap is mounted closer to a root end portion of the seal surface	Column 4, lines 2-5

**SUBMISSION OF SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION**

Attached to this Amendment is a Supplemental Reissue Declaration and Power of Attorney.